

On Convergence to Stochastic Integrals ^{*}

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Abstract: Weak convergence of various general functionals of partial sums of dependent random variables to stochastic integral now play a major role in the modern statistics theory. In this paper, we obtain the weak convergence of various general functionals of partial sums of causal process by means of the method which was introduced in Jacod and Shiryaev (2003).

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1 Introduction

Weak convergence of stochastic processes is a very important and foundational theory in probability. In his classical textbook, Billingsley (1968) gave a systematic theory of weak convergence for stochastic processes. In the theory, finite dimensional distribution convergence and the tightness of stochastic processes are crucial. Partial sum processes of random variables and empirical processes are very important processes in the probability and statistics. We can establish the weak convergence of partial sum processes to Brownian motion and empirical processes to Brownian bridge by the classical method.

With the quick development of modern statistics and econometric theory, the classical method has become difficult to deal with more complex processes. For example, sometimes we need to prove a convergence theorem about the

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stochastic integrals. However, we can not get the weak convergence easily since it is difficult to compute the finite dimensional distributions of the stochastic integrals. The convergence theorem of stochastic integrals is a core theory in the unit root theory, which is a hot topic in the econometric theory. (c.f. Phillips (1987 a,b), (2007)). As mentioned in Ibragimov and Phillips (2008), the results of this type can be used in the study of transition behavior between regimes and marked intervention policy. However, earlier authors only obtained some results which describe the convergence to simple stochastic power integrals by the classical weak convergence theory, since it is complex to compute the finite dimensional distribution of more general stochastic integral. (c.f. De Jong and Davidson (2000 a, b)).

In fact, when we intend to get a weak convergence result for a stochastic process sequence, we need to complete two tasks : one is to prove the relative compactness of the stochastic process sequence, and the other one is to identify the limiting process. In the Billingsley's classical method, tightness is used to provide the relative compactness, while the convergence of finite dimension distributions identifies the limiting process. Jacod and Shiryaev (2003) developed a new approach to weak convergence of semimartingale sequences. Firstly, they introduced three characteristics to replace the three terms: the drift, variance of the Gaussian part and Lévy measure, which characterize the distribution of Lévy process. By means of these three characteristics, one can show tightness of semimartingale sequence. Secondly, they characterized the law of limiting process as the unique solution of some martingale problem. In some special cases, the unique solution of a martingale problem can be seen as a unique solution of stochastic differential equations (for example, the limiting process is a stochastic integral). Hence, Jacod and Shiryaev's method is a powerful tool to prove the limit theorem about the semimartingale. Because of some technical difficulty, this method is rarely used in the statistics and econometric theory. Ibragimov and Phillips (2008) used this method to obtain the weak convergence of various general functionals of partial sums of linear processes. This type of results can be used in the unit root theory, where they deal with the functional of partial sum of linear processes as a semimartingale and employ the Beveridge-Nelson decomposition to compute three predictable characteris-

tics of the underlying semimartingale.

In this paper, we extend these results to a causal process, which is an important class of stationary processes. Wu (2005, 2007) developed a complete method and theory about the causal process. By means of the martingale approximation developed by Wu (2005, 2007), we obtain weak convergence of various general functionals of partial sums of causal processes. In fact, the martingale approximation is an extension of Beveridge-Nelson decomposition for a linear process. We will use martingale approximation twice to obtain our results.

The remainder of this paper is organized as follows. Section 2 gives a short introduction of the martingale convergence method developed by Jacod and Shiryaev (2003). Section 3 gives some definitions and notations about a causal process. Section 4 presents our main result. The proof of the theorem will be collected in Section 5. Section 6 gives a simple application of our result to unit root autoregression theory. Some discussion about the further research is given in Section 7.

2 Martingale Convergence Method

2.1 Definitions

In this subsection, we present some notations and preliminary results.

Let $\mathbb{R}_+ = [0, +\infty)$ and $\mathbb{Z} = \{\dots, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, \dots\}$. $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{F} = (\mathcal{F}_t)_{t \geq 1}, P)$ is a filtered probability space. X is a semimartingale defined on $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{F} = (\mathcal{F}_t)_{t \geq 1}, P)$. Set $h(x) = x1_{|x| \leq 1}$, and

$$\begin{cases} \check{X}(h)_t = \sum_{s \leq t} [\Delta X_s - h(\Delta X_s)], \\ X(h) = X - \check{X}(h), \end{cases}$$

$X(h)$ is a special semimartingale and we consider its canonical decomposition:

$$X(h) = X_0 + M(h) + B(h), \quad (2.1)$$

where $M(h)$ is its local martingale part, $B(h)$ is its finite variation part.

Definition 1 (Jacod and Shiryaev (2003)) We call predictable characteristics of X the triplet (B, C, ν) as follows:

- (1) B is a predictable finite variation process, namely the process $B = B(h)$ appearing in (2.1).
- (2) $C = \langle X^c, X^c \rangle$ is a continuous process, where X^c is the continuous martingale part of X .
- (3) ν is a predictable random measure on $\mathbb{R}_+ \times \mathbb{R}$, namely the compensator of the random measure μ^X associated to the jumps of X , μ^X is defined by

$$\mu^X(\omega; dt, dx) = \sum_s 1_{\{\Delta X_s(\omega) \neq 0\}} \varepsilon_{(s, \Delta X_s)}(dt, dx),$$

where ε_a denotes the Dirac measure at the point a .

Remark 1 By means of the truncation function $h(x)$, the semimartingale X can be divided into two parts: the jumps of one part are greater than 1, and the jumps of the other's are not. When a semimartingale's jumps are bounded, this semimartingale is a special semimartingale, in the other words, it has unique canonical decomposition, and hence we can get an unique B in Definition 1. If the semimartingale is a special semimartingale, it is not necessary to introduce the truncation function. In this paper, we discuss such semimartingale, and so do not introduce the truncation function.

Remark 2 The predictable characteristics of semimartingale X are the counterpart of the drift, variance of Guassian part and Lévy measure of independent increment process. By means of predictable characteristics, one can characterize the asymptotic properties of the semimartingale.

If $\{Y_k, k \geq 0\}$ is a discrete time semimartingale on probability space (Ω, \mathcal{F}, P) , we can write

$$Y_k = \sum_{i=0}^k \eta_i = \eta_0 + \sum_{i=1}^k m_i + \sum_{i=1}^k b_i,$$

where $\eta_0 = Y_0$, $\eta_i = Y_i - Y_{i-1}$, $m_i = \eta_i - E(\eta_i | \mathcal{F}_{i-1})$ and $b_i = E(\eta_i | \mathcal{F}_{i-1})$, $i \geq 1$.

Set $X_s = Y_{[s]}$. From Definition 1, we can get the first and second predictable

characteristic of X_s :

$$B_s = \sum_{i=0}^{[s]} b_i, \quad C_s = \sum_{i=0}^{[s]} E(m_i^2 | \mathcal{F}_{i-1}). \quad (2.2)$$

The third predictable characteristic of X_s is a compensated random measure ν . For a continuous function g in \mathbb{R} , we have

$$\int_0^s \int_{\mathbb{R}} g(x) \nu(dx, dt) = \sum_{i=0}^{[s]} E(g(\eta_i) | \mathcal{F}_{i-1}). \quad (2.3)$$

2.2 Convergence of Semimartingales Using Predictable Characteristics

Definition 2 (Jacod and Shiryaev (2003)) Let X be a càdlàg process and let \mathcal{H} be the σ -field generated by $X(0)$ and \mathcal{L}_0 be the distribution of $X(0)$. A solution to the martingale problem associated with (\mathcal{H}, X) and $(\mathcal{L}_0, B, C, \nu)$ (denoted by ${}_{\varsigma}(\sigma(X_0), X | \mathcal{L}_0, B, C, \nu)$) is a probability measure P on (Ω, \mathcal{F}) such that X is a semimartingale on (Ω, \mathcal{F}, P) with predictable characteristics (B, C, ν) .

The limit process $X = (X(s))_{s \geq 0}$ appearing in this paper is the canonical process $X(s, \alpha) = \alpha(s)$ for the element $\alpha = (\alpha(s))_{s \geq 0}$ of $D(\mathbb{R}_+)$. In other words, our limit process is defined on the canonical space $(\mathbb{D}(\mathbb{R}_+), \mathcal{D}(\mathbb{R}_+), \mathbf{D})$. For $a \geq 0$ and an element $(\alpha(s), s \geq 0)$ of the Skorokhod space $\mathbb{D}(\mathbb{R}_+)$, define

$$S^a(\alpha) = \inf(s : |\alpha(s)| \geq a \text{ or } |\alpha(s-)| \geq a),$$

$$S_n^a = \inf(s : |X_n(s)| \geq a).$$

In the paper, \Rightarrow denotes convergence in distribution in an appropriate metric space, and \xrightarrow{P} denotes convergence in probability. The following theorem gives sufficient conditions for the weak convergence of a sequence of square-integrable semimartingales. This theorem provides the basis for the study of asymptotic properties of functionals of partial sums.

Theorem A (Jacod and Shiryaev (2003)) Suppose that the following conditions hold:

(i). The local strong majoration hypothesis: for all $a \geq 0$, there is an increasing continuous and deterministic function $F(a)$ such that the stopped processes $Var(B)^{S^a}$, C^{S^a} and $(|x^2 * \nu|)^{S^a}$ are strongly majorized by $F(a)$.

(ii). The local condition on big jumps: for all $a \geq 0$, $t \geq 0$,

$$\limsup_{b \uparrow \infty} \sup_{\alpha \in \Omega} |x^2| 1_{\{|x| > b\}} * \nu_{t \wedge S^a}(\alpha) = 0.$$

(iii). Local uniqueness for the martingale problem $\varsigma(\sigma(X_0), X | \mathcal{L}_0, B, C, \nu)$;

We denote by Q the unique solution to this problem.

(iv). Continuity condition: for all $t \in D$, $g \in \mathbb{C}(R)$, the function $\alpha \rightsquigarrow B_t(\alpha), C_t(\alpha), g * \nu_t(\alpha)$ are Skorokhod-continuous on $\mathbb{D}(R)$, where D is a dense subset of \mathbb{R}_+ .

(v). $\mathcal{L}_0^n \rightarrow \mathcal{L}_0$ weakly as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

(vi). $g * \nu_{t \wedge S_n^n}^n - (g * \nu_{t \wedge S^a}) \circ (X^n) \xrightarrow{P} 0$ for all $t \in D$, $a > 0$, $g \in \mathbb{C}_+(R)$;

$$\sup_{s \leq t} |B_{t \wedge S_n^n}^n - (B_{t \wedge S^a}) \circ (X^n)| \xrightarrow{P} 0 \text{ for all } t > 0, a > 0;$$

$$C_{t \wedge S_n^n}^n - (C_{t \wedge S^a}) \circ (X^n) \xrightarrow{P} 0 \text{ for all } t \in D, a > 0;$$

$$\lim_{b \uparrow \infty} \limsup_n P(|x^2| 1_{\{|x| > b\}} * \nu_{t \wedge S_n^n}^n > \varepsilon) = 0 \text{ for all } t > 0, a > 0,$$

$\varepsilon > 0$.

Then $\mathcal{L}(X^n) \Rightarrow Q$.

2.3 Uniqueness Conditions for Homogenous Diffusion Processes

The limiting process in Theorem A usually can be seen as a homogenous diffusion process. In this paper, the stochastic differential equation which is discussed has a homogenous diffusion process solution, we need a theorem to assure that this stochastic differential equation has a unique and measurable solution.

Consider the stochastic differential equation:

$$\begin{cases} dX_1(t) = \lambda g(X_2(t))dt + \sigma f(X_2(t))dB(t), \\ dX_2(t) = dB(t). \end{cases} \quad (2.4)$$

A solution to (2.4) is a two-dimensional semimartingale $X := (X_1, X_2)$ with the predictable characteristics $B(X)$ and $C(X)$, where, for an element $\alpha(s) =$

$(\alpha_1(s), \alpha_2(s))$ in $\mathbb{D}(\mathbb{R}^2)$,

$$B(s, \alpha) = \left(\int_0^s g(\alpha_2(v)) dv, 0 \right),$$

$$C(s, \alpha) = \begin{bmatrix} \int_0^s f^2(\alpha_2(v)) dv & \int_0^s f(\alpha_2(v)) dv \\ \int_0^s f(\alpha_2(v)) dv & s \end{bmatrix}.$$

Theorem B (Ibragimov and Phillips (2008)) Suppose that

(i) The functions $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ are locally Lipschitz continuous, i.e. for every $N \in \mathbf{N}$, there exists a constant K_N such that

$$|f(x) - f(y)| \leq K_N |x - y|, \quad |g(x) - g(y)| \leq K_N |x - y|$$

for all $|x| \leq N, |y| \leq N$.

(ii) f and g satisfy the growth condition: there exists $K > 0$ such that

$$|f(x)| \leq e^{K|x|}, \quad |g(x)| \leq e^{K|x|}.$$

Then the stochastic differential equation (2.4) has a unique solution. In other words, the martingale problem $\varsigma(\sigma(X_0), X | \mathcal{L}_0, B, C, 0)$ has an unique solution.

3 Causal Process and Martingale Approximation

We call $\{X_n, n \geq 1\}$, a causal process if X_n has the form

$$X_n = g(\cdots, \varepsilon_{n-1}, \varepsilon_n),$$

where $\{\varepsilon_n; n \in \mathbf{Z}\}$ is mean zero, independent and identically distributed random variables and g is a measurable function. Causal process is a very important example of stationary process. It has been widely used in practice, and contains many important statistical models, such as ARCH models, threshold AR (TAR) and so on. Asymptotic behavior of the sums of causal processes, $S_n = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$, are important subjects in both practice and theory. Recall that $Z \in L^p$ ($p > 0$) if $\|Z\|_p = [E(|Z|^p)]^{1/p} < \infty$ and write $\|Z\| = \|Z\|_2$.

To study the asymptotic property of the sums of causal processes, martingale approximation is an effective method. Roughly speaking, martingale approximation is to find a martingale M_n , such that the error $\|S_n - M_n\|_p$ is small in some sense. We list the notations used in the following part:

- $\mathcal{F}_k = (\cdots, \varepsilon_{k-1}, \varepsilon_k)$.
- Projections $\mathcal{P}_k Z = E(Z|\mathcal{F}_k) - E(Z|\mathcal{F}_{k-1})$, $Z \in L^1$.
- $D_k = \sum_{i=k}^{\infty} P_k X_i$, $M_k = \sum_{i=1}^k D_i$, $R_k = S_k - M_k$.
- $H_k = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} E(X_{k+1}|\mathcal{F}_k)$.
- $\theta_{n,p} = \|\mathcal{P}_0 X_n\|_p$, $\Lambda_{n,q} = \sum_{i=0}^n \theta_{i,q}$, $n > 0$. Let $\theta_{n,p} = 0 = \Lambda_{n,p}$ if $n < 0$.
- $\Theta_{m,p} = \sum_{i=m}^{\infty} \theta_{i,p}$.
- B : standard Brownian motion.

M_k is a martingale, we will use M_k to approximate sum S_k . Throughout the paper, we assume that D_k converges almost surely.

Linear process is a very important example of causal processes, and many methods are developed to discuss it. Phillips and Solo (1992) studied the Beveridge-Nelson decomposition of linear processes, and then obtained some asymptotic results. This method is used to obtain the asymptotic results of short memory linear processes.

Suppose that U_n is the linear process $U_n = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} a_i \varepsilon_{n-i}$. Applying the Beveridge-Nelson polynomial decomposition, one can get

$$U_n = \left(\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} a_i \right) \varepsilon_n + \tilde{\varepsilon}_{n-1} - \tilde{\varepsilon}_n, \quad (3.1)$$

where $\tilde{\varepsilon}_n = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \tilde{a}_i \varepsilon_{n-i}$, $\tilde{a}_i = \sum_{k=i+1}^{\infty} a_k$.

In fact, the martingale approximation introduced above is an extension of the Beveridge-Nelson decomposition to causal processes. Applying the martingale approximate to U_n , we get

$$\sum_{i=k}^{\infty} P_k U_i = \left(\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} a_i \right) \varepsilon_k, \quad U_k - \sum_{i=k}^{\infty} P_k U_i = \tilde{\varepsilon}_{k-1} - \tilde{\varepsilon}_k.$$

From Wu (2005), we have

$$\|\mathcal{P}_0 U_n\|_p = c_0 |a_n|, \quad c_0 = \|\varepsilon_0 - \varepsilon'_0\|_p, \quad (3.2)$$

where ε'_0 is the independent copy of ε_0 .

4 Main Result

Assumption 1. $X_0 \in \mathcal{L}^q$, $q > 2$, and $\Theta_{n,q^*} = O(n^{1/q^* - 1/2}(\log n)^{-1})$, where $q^* = \min(q, 4)$.

Assumption 2.

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \|E(D_k^2 | \mathcal{F}_0) - \sigma^2\|_{q^*/2} < \infty,$$

where $\|D_k\| = \sigma$.

Assumption 3.

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \|E(X_k X_{k+i} | \mathcal{F}_0) - E(X_k X_{k+i} | \mathcal{F}_{-1})\|_4 < \infty,$$

and

$$\left\| \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} E(X_k X_{k+i} | \mathcal{F}_0) \right\|_3 < \infty.$$

Theorem 1 Let $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a twice continuously differentiable function such that f' satisfies $|f'(x)| \leq K(1 + |x|^\alpha)$ for some positive constants K and α and all $x \in \mathbb{R}$. Suppose that X_t is a causal process satisfies Assumptions 1~3. Then

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{t=2}^{\lfloor nr \rfloor} f\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} X_i\right) X_t \Rightarrow \lambda \int_0^r f'(B(v)) dv + \sigma \int_0^r f(B(v)) dB(v), \quad (4.1)$$

where $\lambda = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} EX_0 X_j$.

Remark 1 The assumptions on the function f in this paper is the same as that of Ibragimov and Phillips (2008). Assumption 1 on the causal process is more wild than Ibragimov and Phillips (2008)'s. In their paper, they assume $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} i|a_i| < \infty$, while our condition is weaker from (3.2).

Remark 2 Assumption 3 is not strong as well. We have

$$\left\| \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} E(X_k X_{k+i} | \mathcal{F}_0) \right\|_3 \leq O\left(\sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j=k+1}^{\infty} |a_j| |\tilde{a}_{j+r}|\right).$$

From Lemma E5 of Ibragimov and Phillips (2008), $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} i|a_i| < \infty$ implies $\sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j=k+1}^{\infty} |a_j| |\tilde{a}_{j+r}| < \infty$.

5 The Proof of Main Result

Firstly, we introduce two lemmas.

Lemma 1 (Wu (2007)) Assume that $E[X_0] = 0$, $X_0 \in \mathcal{L}^q$, $q > 1$, let $q' = \min(2, q)$, and $\Theta_{0,q} = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \theta_{i,q} < \infty$, then

$$\| \max_{k \leq n} |S_k| \|_q \leq \frac{qB_q}{q-1} n^{1/q'} \Theta_{0,q},$$

where $B_q = 18q^{3/2}(q-1)^{-1/2}$ if $q \in (1, 2) \cup (2, \infty)$ and $B_q = 1$ if $q = 2$.

Lemma 2 (Wu (2007)) Under Assumptions 1 and 2, there exists a standard Brownian motion B on a richer probability space such that

$$|S_n - B(\sigma^2 n)| = O_{a.s.}(n^{1/4}(\log n)^{1/2}(\log \log n)^{1/4}).$$

Set

$$X_n(s) = (\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{t=2}^{[ns]} f(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} X_i) X_t, \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{t=1}^{[ns]} X_t) =: (X_n^1(s), X_n^2(s))$$

and

$$X(s) = (\lambda \int_0^s f'(B(v)) dv + \sigma \int_0^s f(B(v)) dB(v), B(s)) =: (X^1(s), X^2(s)).$$

By (2.2) and (2.3), we can get the first two predictable characteristics of X_n as follows:

$$B_n(s) = (\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{t=2}^{[ns]} f(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} X_i)(X_t - D_t), \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{t=1}^{[ns]} (X_t - D_t)),$$

$$C_n(s) = \begin{bmatrix} C_n^{11}(s) & C_n^{12}(s) \\ C_n^{21}(s) & C_n^{22}(s) \end{bmatrix},$$

$$C_n^{11}(s) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{t=2}^{[ns]} f^2(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} X_i) E(D_t^2 | \mathcal{F}_{t-1}),$$

$$C_n^{22}(s) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{t=1}^{[ns]} E(D_t^2 | \mathcal{F}_{t-1}),$$

$$C_n^{12}(s) = C_n^{21}(s) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{t=2}^{[ns]} f(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} X_i) E(D_t^2 | \mathcal{F}_{t-1}).$$

The process $X(s) = (X^1(s), X^2(s))$, an element of the Skorokhod space $D(\mathbb{R}_+)$, is a solution to the stochastic differential process

$$\begin{cases} dX^1(t) = \lambda f'(X^2(t))dt + \sigma f(X^2(t))dB(t), \\ dX^2(t) = dB(t). \end{cases} \quad (5.1)$$

The predictable characteristics of X are $(B(X), C(X), 0)$:

$$\begin{aligned} B(s, \alpha) &= (\lambda \int_0^s f'(\sigma \alpha_2(v))dv, 0), \\ C(s, \alpha) &= \begin{bmatrix} \sigma^2 \int_0^s f^2(\alpha_2(v))dv & \sigma \int_0^s f(\alpha_2(v))dv \\ \sigma \int_0^s f(\alpha_2(v))dv & \sigma^2 s \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

To prove the main result, we need to verify the conditions in Theorem A.

By the similar argument in Ibragimov and Phillips (2008) (3.15-3.17), we can get that condition (i) in Theorem A is satisfied.

Since the limiting process is continuous, condition (ii) and condition (iv) in Theorem A don't need to be verified.

Under the assumptions of the theorem, function $f(x)$ and $f'(x)$ are locally Lipschitz continuous and satisfy growth condition. From Theorem B, the stochastic differential equation has a unique solution. In other words, the martingale problem $\varsigma(\sigma(X_0), X | \mathcal{L}_0, B, C, \nu)$ have unique solution. We can get that condition (iii) in Theorem A is satisfied.

Since $\mathcal{L}_0 = 0$, $\mathcal{L}_0^n = 0$, it suffices to check condition (vi) in Theorem A.

From Jacod and Shiryaev (2003), if we can show

$$\sup_{0 \leq s \leq N} |\Delta X_n(s)| \xrightarrow{P} 0 \quad \text{for all } N \in \mathbf{N}, \quad (5.2)$$

then $g * \nu_{t \wedge S_a^n}^n - (g * \nu_{t \wedge S_a}) \circ (X^n) \xrightarrow{P} 0$ for all $t \in D$, $a > 0$, $g \in \mathbb{C}_+(R)$.

Secondly, we need to compute the terms of $B(s) \circ X_n$, $C(s) \circ X_n$:

$$\begin{aligned} B(s) \circ X_n &= \frac{\lambda}{n} \sum_{t=2}^{[ns]} f'(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} X_i) + \frac{\lambda}{n} f'(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^{[ns]} X_i)(ns - [ns]), \\ C^{11}(s) \circ X_n &= \frac{\sigma^2}{n} \sum_{t=2}^{[ns]} f^2(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} X_i) + \frac{\sigma^2}{n} f^2(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^{[ns]} X_i)(ns - [ns]), \end{aligned}$$

$$C^{12}(s) \circ X_n = C^{21}(s) \circ X_n = \frac{\sigma^2}{n} \sum_{t=2}^{[ns]} f\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} X_i\right) + \frac{\sigma^2}{n} f\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^{[ns]} X_i\right) (ns - [ns]).$$

We divide the proof into three steps:

Step 1 We prove

$$\sup_{0 < s \leq N} |C_n^{ij}(s) - C^{ij}(s) \circ X_n| \xrightarrow{P} 0, \quad (5.3)$$

where N is a positive integer. Since the proofs for $i, j = 1, 2$ are similar, we only consider the case of $i = j = 1$. In fact we need to show that

$$\sup_{0 < s \leq N} \left| \frac{1}{n} \sum_{t=2}^{[ns]} f^2\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} X_i\right) (E(D_t^2 | \mathcal{F}_{t-1}) - \sigma^2) - \frac{\sigma^2}{n} f^2\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^{[ns]} X_i\right) (ns - [ns]) \right| \xrightarrow{P} 0, \quad (5.4)$$

Firstly, we prove

$$\sup_{0 < s \leq N} \left| \frac{1}{n} \sum_{t=2}^{[ns]} f^2\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} X_i\right) \sigma^2 - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{t=2}^{[ns]} f^2\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} D_i\right) \sigma^2 \right| \xrightarrow{P} 0. \quad (5.5)$$

Since

$$\sup_{0 < s \leq N} \left| \frac{1}{n} \sum_{t=2}^{[ns]} f^2\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} X_i\right) - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{t=2}^{[ns]} f^2\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} D_i\right) \right| \leq \max_{1 \leq t \leq nN} \left| f^2\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} X_i\right) - f^2\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} D_i\right) \right|,$$

and f is a uniform continuous function, we can get (5.5) by

$$\max_{1 \leq t \leq nN} \left| \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} X_i - \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} D_i \right| \xrightarrow{P} 0. \quad (5.6)$$

For any $\varepsilon > 0$, by Lemma 1, for $2 < q < 4$, we have

$$P\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \max_{1 \leq t \leq nN} \left| \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} X_i - \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} D_i \right| > \varepsilon\right) \leq \frac{E[\sum_{t=1}^{nN} (X_t - D_t)]^2}{n\varepsilon^2} \leq C \frac{n^{1/q'} (\log n)^{-1}}{n\varepsilon^2},$$

which implies (5.6), then we obtain (5.5).

By the martingale version of the Skorokhod representation theorem, on a richer probability space, there exist a standard Brownian motion B and nonnegative random variables τ_1, τ_2, \dots with partial sums $T_k = \sum_{i=1}^k \tau_i$ such that for $k \geq 1$, $T_k - k\sigma^2 = o_{a.s.}(k^{2/q})$ and $M_k = B(T_k)$, $E(\tau_k | \mathcal{F}_{k-1}) = E(D_k^2 | \mathcal{F}_{k-1})$. (cf. Wu (2007)).

For $\frac{T_{k-1}}{n} < s \leq \frac{T_k}{n}$, we consider

$$\mathcal{I}_n(s) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{t=2}^{[ns]} f^2\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} D_i\right) \sigma^2 + \frac{\sigma^2}{n} f^2\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^{[ns]} D_i\right) (ns - [ns]).$$

By the martingale version of the Skorokhod representation theorem, we have

$$\mathcal{I}_n(s) = \sum_{t=2}^{k-1} f^2\left(B\left(\frac{T_{t-1}}{n}\right)\right) \frac{\sigma^2}{n} + \frac{\sigma^2}{n} f^2\left(B\left(\frac{T_{k-1}}{n}\right)\right) (ns - [ns]).$$

Since $T_k - k\sigma^2 = o_{\text{a.s.}}(k^{2/q})$,

$$\begin{aligned} \max_{t \leq k} \left| B\left(\frac{T_t}{n}\right) - B\left(\frac{\sigma^2 t}{n}\right) \right| &\leq \max_{t \leq k} \sup_{|x - \sigma^2 t| \leq k^{2/q}} \left| B\left(\frac{x}{n}\right) - B\left(\frac{\sigma^2 t}{n}\right) \right| \\ &\leq o_{\text{a.s.}}(k^{1/q} \sqrt{\log k}). \end{aligned}$$

By the uniform continuous property of f and the similar argument in (5.5), we have

$$\sup_{0 < s \leq N} \left| \mathcal{I}_n(s) - \sum_{t=2}^{k-1} f^2\left(B\left(\frac{\sigma^2(t-1)}{n}\right)\right) \frac{\sigma^2}{n} + \frac{\sigma^2}{n} f^2\left(B\left(\frac{\sigma^2(k-1)}{n}\right)\right) (ns - [ns]) \right| \xrightarrow{P} 0.$$

By the Riemann approximation of stochastic integral, and the continuity of Brownian motion's paths, we have

$$\sup_{0 < s \leq N} \left| \mathcal{I}_n(s) - \int_0^s f^2(B(v)) dv \right| \xrightarrow{P} 0. \quad (5.7)$$

For $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{t=2}^{[ns]} f^2\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} X_i\right) E(D_t^2 | \mathcal{F}_{t-1})$, and by noting $M_k = B(T_k)$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\sup_{0 < s \leq N} \left| \frac{1}{n} \sum_{t=2}^{[ns]} f^2\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} X_i\right) E(D_t^2 | \mathcal{F}_{t-1}) - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{t=2}^{[ns]} f^2\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} B(T_{t-1})\right) E(D_t^2 | \mathcal{F}_{t-1}) \right| \\ &= \sup_{0 < s \leq N} \left| \frac{1}{n} \sum_{t=2}^{[ns]} f^2\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} X_i\right) E(T_t - T_{t-1} | \mathcal{F}_{t-1}) - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{t=2}^{[ns]} f^2\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} B(T_{t-1})\right) E(T_t - T_{t-1} | \mathcal{F}_{t-1}) \right| \quad (5.8) \\ &\xrightarrow{P} 0. \end{aligned}$$

by Lemma 2.

By the Riemann approximation of stochastic integral and the Approximated Laplacians property (cf. Dellacherie and Meyer (1982)), we obtain

$$\sup_{0 < s \leq N} \left| \frac{1}{n} \sum_{t=2}^{[ns]} f^2\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} B(T_{t-1})\right) E(T_t - T_{t-1} | \mathcal{F}_{t-1}) - \int_0^s f^2(B(v)) dv \right| \xrightarrow{P} 0,$$

and combining with (5.8), we have

$$\sup_{0 < s \leq N} \left| \frac{1}{n} \sum_{t=2}^{[ns]} f^2 \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} X_i \right) E(T_t - T_{t-1} | \mathcal{F}_{t-1}) - \int_0^s f^2(B(v)) dv \right| \xrightarrow{P} 0. \quad (5.9)$$

By (5.7) and (5.9), we obtain (5.3).

Step 2 We prove

$$\sup_{0 < s \leq N} |B_n(s) - B(s) \circ X_n| \xrightarrow{P} 0, \quad (5.10)$$

which will be proved if we show

$$\sup_{0 < s \leq N} \left| \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{t=2}^{[ns]} f \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} X_i \right) (X_t - D_t) - \frac{\lambda}{n} \sum_{t=2}^{[ns]} f' \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} X_i \right) \right| \xrightarrow{P} 0. \quad (5.11)$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{J}_k &:= \left| \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{t=2}^k f \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} X_i \right) (X_t - D_t) - \frac{\lambda}{n} \sum_{t=2}^k f' \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} X_i \right) \right| \\ &= \left| \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{t=2}^k f \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} X_i \right) (H_{t-1} - H_t) - \frac{\lambda}{n} \sum_{t=2}^k f' \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} X_i \right) \right| \\ &= \left| \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{t=2}^k \left(f \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^t X_i \right) - f \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} X_i \right) \right) H_t - \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} f \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^k X_i \right) H_k - \frac{\lambda}{n} \sum_{t=2}^k f' \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} X_i \right) \right|, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \max_{1 \leq k \leq nN} \mathcal{J}_k &\leq \max_{1 \leq k \leq nN} \left| \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} f \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^k X_i \right) H_k \right| + \max_{1 \leq k \leq nN} \left| \frac{1}{n} \sum_{t=2}^k f' \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} X_i \right) (X_t H_t - \lambda) \right| \\ &\quad + \max_{1 \leq k \leq nN} \left| \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{t=2}^k \left(f \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^t X_i \right) - f \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} X_i \right) - f' \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} X_i \right) \frac{X_t}{\sqrt{n}} \right) H_t \right|. \end{aligned}$$

We firstly prove

$$\max_{1 \leq k \leq nN} \left| \frac{1}{n} \sum_{t=2}^k f' \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} X_i \right) (X_t H_t - \lambda) \right| \xrightarrow{P} 0. \quad (5.12)$$

Set $Y_{t,j} = E(X_t X_{t+j} | \mathcal{F}_t) - E(X_t X_{t+j})$, we prove

$$\max_{1 \leq k \leq nN} \left| \frac{1}{n} \sum_{t=2}^k f' \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} X_i \right) \left(\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} Y_{t,j} \right) \right| \xrightarrow{P} 0. \quad (5.13)$$

We approximate $S_t := \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} Y_{t,j}$ by $\tilde{D}_t := \sum_{k=t}^{\infty} \mathcal{P}_t(S_k)$, then we need to prove

$$\max_{1 \leq k \leq nN} \left| \frac{1}{n} \sum_{t=2}^k f' \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} X_i \right) \tilde{D}_t \right| \xrightarrow{P} 0 \quad (5.14)$$

and

$$\max_{1 \leq k \leq nN} \left| \frac{1}{n} \sum_{t=2}^k f' \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} X_i \right) (S_t - \tilde{D}_t) \right| \xrightarrow{P} 0. \quad (5.15)$$

For (5.14), we have

$$E \left(f' \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} X_i \right) \tilde{D}_t \right)^2 \leq \sqrt{E \left(f' \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} X_i \right)^4 \right) E(\tilde{D}_t)^4},$$

$$[E(\tilde{D}_t)^4]^{1/4} = [E(\sum_{k=t}^{\infty} \mathcal{P}_t(S_k))^4]^{1/4} \leq \sum_{k=t}^{\infty} \|P_t(S_k)\|_4.$$

However, by Assumption 3, we have

$$\sum_{k=t}^{\infty} \|P_t(S_k)\|_4 = \sum_{k=t}^{\infty} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \|E(X_k X_{k+i} | \mathcal{F}_t) - E(X_k X_{k+i} | \mathcal{F}_{t-1})\|_4 < \infty.$$

Since $f'(x) \leq C(1 + |x|^\alpha)$, we have

$$E \left(f' \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} X_i \right) \tilde{D}_t \right)^2 \leq L \quad (5.16)$$

by Lemma 1. Then, by Kolmogorov inequality for martingale, for any $\varepsilon > 0$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} & P \left(\max_{1 \leq k \leq nN} \left| \frac{1}{n} \sum_{t=2}^k f' \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} X_i \right) \tilde{D}_t \right| > \varepsilon \right) \\ & \leq \frac{E \left[\sum_{t=2}^{nN} f' \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} X_i \right) \tilde{D}_t \right]^2}{n^2 \varepsilon^2} \\ & \leq \frac{N \max_{1 \leq t \leq nN} E \left[f' \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} X_i \right) \tilde{D}_t \right]^2}{n \varepsilon^2} \leq C \frac{1}{n} \rightarrow 0. \end{aligned}$$

(5.14) is proved.

For (5.15), we have

$$S_t - \tilde{D}_t = Z_{t-1} - Z_t, \quad Z_t = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} E(X_{t+i+k} X_{t+i} | \mathcal{F}_t), \quad (5.17)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & \max_{1 \leq k \leq nN} \left| \frac{1}{n} \sum_{t=2}^k f' \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} X_i \right) (S_t - \tilde{D}_t) \right| = \max_{1 \leq k \leq nN} \left| \frac{1}{n} \sum_{t=2}^k f' \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} X_i \right) (Z_t - Z_{t-1}) \right| \\ & \leq \max_{1 \leq k \leq nN} \left| \frac{1}{n} f' \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^k X_i \right) Z_k \right| + \max_{1 \leq k \leq nN} \left| \frac{1}{n} \sum_{t=2}^{k-1} \left(f' \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^t X_i \right) - f' \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} X_i \right) \right) Z_t \right| \end{aligned}$$

$$\leq \max_{1 \leq k \leq nN} |f'(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^k X_i)| \max_{1 \leq k \leq nN} \frac{|Z_k|}{n} + \max_{1 \leq k \leq nN} \frac{N|X_k Z_k|}{\sqrt{n}} \sup_{|t| \leq \max_{0 \leq k \leq nN} \frac{\sum_{i=1}^k X_i}{\sqrt{n}}} f''(t).$$

Under Assumption 3, by law of large number, we have

$$\max_{1 \leq k \leq nN} n^{-\frac{1}{6}} |X_k| \xrightarrow{P} 0, \quad \max_{1 \leq k \leq nN} n^{-\frac{1}{3}} |Z_k| \xrightarrow{P} 0,$$

so

$$\max_{1 \leq k \leq nN} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} |X_k Z_k| \xrightarrow{P} 0.$$

From Lemma 2, we have $\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^k X_i = O_P(1)$, by the continuity of $f''(x)$, we obtain (5.15).

We have, by Talor expansion, that

$$\begin{aligned} & \max_{1 \leq k \leq nN} \left| \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{t=2}^k \left(f\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^t X_i\right) - f\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} X_i\right) - f'\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} X_i\right) \frac{X_t}{\sqrt{n}} \right) H_t \right| \\ & \leq (N/2) \max_{1 \leq k \leq nN} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} X_k^2 |H_k| \sup_{|t| \leq \max_{0 \leq k \leq nN} \frac{\sum_{i=1}^k X_i}{\sqrt{n}}} f''(t) \end{aligned}$$

Under Assumption 3, by law of large number and similar argument in the above, we get that

$$\max_{1 \leq k \leq nN} \left| \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{t=2}^k \left(f\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^t X_i\right) - f\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} X_i\right) - f'\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} X_i\right) \frac{X_t}{\sqrt{n}} \right) H_t \right| \xrightarrow{P} 0.$$

Then we can easily get (5.10).

Step 3

We prove (5.2) and

$$\lim_{b \uparrow \infty} \limsup_n P(|x^2| 1_{\{|x| > b\}} * \nu_{t \wedge S_n^a}^n > \varepsilon) = 0 \quad (5.18)$$

for all $t \in D$, $a > 0$.

For (5.2), similar to Ibragimov and Phillips (2008),

$$\sup_{0 < s \leq N} |\Delta X_n(s)| \leq \max_{0 \leq k \leq nN} \left| f\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^k X_i\right) \right| \cdot \max_{0 \leq k \leq nN} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} |X_k| + \max_{0 \leq k \leq nN} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} |X_k|. \quad (5.19)$$

From Lemma 2, we have $\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^k X_i = O_P(1)$. Combining with the assumptions of $f(x)$, we have (5.2) by (5.19).

As for (5.18),

$$E \int_0^{s \wedge S_n^a} \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} |x^2| 1_{(|x| > b)} \nu_n(dt, dx)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\leq E \int_0^s \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} |x^2| 1_{(|x|>b)} \nu_n(dt, dx) \leq \frac{1}{b^2} E \int_0^s \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} |x^4| \nu_n(dt, dx) \\
&\leq \frac{2}{b^2} E \int_0^s \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} |x_1^4 + x_2^4| \nu_n(dt, dx). \\
&= \frac{2}{b^2 n^2} \sum_{t=2}^{[ns]} E[f^4(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} X_i) X_t^4] + \frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{t=2}^{[ns]} E[X_t^4].
\end{aligned}$$

By uniform continuity of $f(x)$ and $\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^k X_i = O_P(1)$, we have $f(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^k X_i) = O_P(1)$. Furthermore,

$$\frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{t=2}^{[ns]} E[f^4(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} X_i) X_t^4] \rightarrow 0$$

and

$$\frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{t=2}^{[ns]} E[X_t^4] \rightarrow 0,$$

we obtain (5.18).

Combining the three steps, we obtain the condition (vi) in Theorem A, then we get our result.

6 Application to Unit Root Autoregression

In this section, we use our main result to obtain the limit theorem for unit root autoregression. The theory of unit root autoregression is a hot topic in modern time series. Let

$$Y_t = \alpha Y_{t-1} + X_t, \quad (6.1)$$

where X_t is a causal process with the form

$$X_n = g(\cdots, \varepsilon_{n-1}, \varepsilon_n).$$

where $\varepsilon_n, n \in \mathbb{Z}$ are mean zero, independent and identically distributed random variables and g is a measurable function.

If $\alpha = 1$, we want to estimate α from $\{Y_t\}$. Let

$$\hat{\alpha} = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^n Y_{t-1} Y_t}{\sum_{t=1}^n Y_{t-1}^2}$$

denote the ordinary least squares estimator of α .

Let t_α be the regression t -statistic with $\alpha = 1$:

$$t_\alpha = \frac{(\sum_{t=1}^n Y_{t-1}^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} (\hat{\alpha} - 1)}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{t=1}^n (Y_t - \hat{\alpha} Y_{t-1})^2}}.$$

In the following theorem, we get the asymptotic distribution of $n(\hat{\alpha} - 1)$ and t_α .

Theorem 2 Under Assumptions 1-3, we have

$$n(\hat{\alpha} - 1) \xrightarrow{d} \frac{\lambda + \sigma^2 \int_0^1 B(v)dB(v)}{\sigma^2 \int_0^1 B^2(v)dv}, \quad (6.2)$$

$$t_\alpha \xrightarrow{d} \frac{\lambda + \sigma^2 \int_0^1 B(v)dB(v)}{(\int_0^1 B^2(v)dv)^{\frac{1}{2}}}. \quad (6.3)$$

Proof.

$$n(\hat{\alpha} - 1) = \frac{n \sum_{t=1}^n Y_{t-1} X_t}{\sum_{t=1}^n Y_{t-1}^2}. \quad (6.4)$$

Similarly to the proof of Theorem 1, we have

$$\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{t=1}^{[nr]} Y_{t-1} X_t, \frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{t=1}^{[nr]} Y_{t-1}^2 \right) \Rightarrow \left(\int_0^r B^2(v)dv, \lambda + \sigma^2 \int_0^r B(v)dB(v) \right). \quad (6.5)$$

By continuous mapping theorem, we get (6.2) and (6.3).

7 Discussion

In this paper, we study the weak convergence of various general functionals of partial sums of causal processes. But we only consider the univariate case. In Ibragimov and Phillips (2008), they also considered the multivariate case. However, we can not get the multivariate extensions by our method. For the univariate case, we can use the Skorokhod embedding argument to get the asymptotic results of second predictable characteristics of semimartingale. But for multivariate case, we can not find a unique stopping time to embed into every component of multivariate Brownian motion, so we can not obtain the correspondence results in accordance with the method of proof of this paper.

There are mainly two methods to deal with the asymptotic results of causal processes. One is the martingale approximation developed by Wu (2007). This method actually is an extension of Beveridge-Nelson decomposition in Phillips and Solo (1992). The other one is m-dependent approximation developed by Liu and Lin (2009). By the m-dependent approximation, Liu and Lin (2009) get the strong invariance principle for d-dimensional causal process. The multivariate extension may be obtained by the m-dependent approximation in the future research. We take this extension as a conjecture.

Conjecture Let $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a twice continuously differentiable function such that f' satisfying $|f'(x)| \leq K(1 + |x|^\alpha)$ for some positive constants K and α and

all $x \in \mathbb{R}$. Suppose that $X_t = (X_t^1, X_t^2)$ is a 2-dimension causal process satisfying Assumptions 1~3, Then

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{t=2}^{[nr]} f\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} X_i^1\right) X_t^2 \Rightarrow \lambda \int_0^r f'(B(v)) dv + \sigma \int_0^r f(B(v)) dW(v),$$

where $\lambda = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} E|X_0 X_j|$, $(B(s), W(s))$ is a bivariate Brownian motion.

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